(b) if so, when both the teams are meeting;

(c) what are the points which would be discussed and to what extent the agreement is likely to be reached; and

(d) by when the proposed Sino-Indian Joint Working Group on the border issue is likely to start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) The Joint Working Group on the boundary question is to meet at a mutually agreed time, convenient to both Governments.

Strength of Students studying in Kendriya Vidyalaya Moscow

2257. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH:

SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no student in standards X and XII during the current session in Kendriya Vidyalaya Moscow;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the break-up of students of std. XI in different streams; and

(d) what has been the per student expenditure in this Vidyalaya during the last and current academic sessions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) 13 students were on rolls of class XI on 30.4.88. Details regarding the stream wise break-up is not maintained at Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Headquarters.

(d) Rs. 25,372.00 for 1987-88 per annum. Corresponding figure for 1988-89 will be available after the close of the financial year and finalisation of accounts.

Supply of Material and Payment to Contractors

2258. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHNA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the officials of the Vijayawada-Balharsha railway electrification project are adopting an unhelpful attitude in the supply of material and payment to the contractors and are resorting to termination of contracts to cover up their own failure;

(b) whether the association of contractors of the said project has submitted any representation to the Minister of Railways to inquire into their affairs; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken on the complaint?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) a representation from Association of Railway Contractors, Vijayawada, has recently been received.

(c) The matter is under examination.

Extension of Computerisation Facilities to More Cities

2259. SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by Government to extend the present computerised facilities available at Madras to other

major cities like Trivandrum, Ernakulam, Trichy, Madurai etc; and

(b) whether Government have sought the help of foreign agencies to build satellite reservation terminals at these important business centres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Computerised reservation facility at Madras is already in the process of extension to Bangalore. Further work for extending this facility to Trivandrum has been included in the Works Programme for 1989-90. There are no plans at present to extend the facility available in the Madras system to any other city.

(b) Government has not sought help of any foreign agency to build satellite reservation terminals.

Development of Calcutta and Haldia Ports

2260. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government are going to take to further develop the Calcutta Port;

(b) whether Government have decided to construct a container terminal at Haldia port through private agencies; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) In the 7th Five Year Plan an outlay of Rs. 139.00 crores was provided for the Plan Works relating to Calcutta Port. The important schemes pertaining to development of Calcutta Port included in the Annual Plan 1989-90 are as under:—

S. No.	Name of the Scheme
1.	Development of Container Park at Calcutta.
2.	Modernisation of Railway System for K.P. Dock Area.
3.	Replacement of 6 steam plus 3 Diesel Locos by 4 Diesel Locos.
4.	Acquisition of Pollution vessels.
5.	Bhagirathi Hooghly River Training Works.
6.	Scheme on recession of Jiggerkhali flat.
7.	Construction of Second Oil Jetty with Tractor Tugs at Haldia.
8.	Construction of Additional General Cargo Berth at Haldia.
9.	Augmentation of existing Container Handling Terminal at Haldia.

(b) No such decision has been taken.

(c) Does not arise.

Flaws in Sati Prevention Act, 1987

2261. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken note of the serious flaws detected by some women's organisations in the Sati Prevention Act, 1987, as reported in the Times of India dated the 15th December, 1987;

(b) if so, whether Government have considered these shortcomings; and

(c) whether Government propose to introduce a fresh legislation in order to remove all the flaws in the Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND